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1. Prior to October 1953, the Neue Kaserne on the north side of the Gumbin (P 55/N 08) road on the eastern perimeter of Stolp (P 55/N 08) quartered Polish troops who wore blue-gray uniforms. No soldiers wearing khaki uniforms were observed. Armored vehicles of various models, trucks, sedans and motorcycles with and without sidecars were parked in the billeting area. Six apartment buildings each including six flats for officers were newly constructed on both sides of the Gumbin road in the area west of the installation.¹ From 1952 to October 1953, Polish tanks and SP guns passed through the town of Bedlin (P 55/M 99) from the direction of Stolp. The SP gun had suspensions and tracks with bogie wheels and track-supporting rollers and a large edged superstructure from which a short, big barrel reinforced around the muzzle was seen projecting. The tanks had suspensions and tracks with bogie wheels only, a gun with a very long barrel, and a turret mounting a light AA weapon. Residents of Bedlin believed that these armored vehicles were stationed at Stolp. The vehicles were observed in the spring and fall of 1952 and 1953.²

2. The former Mackensen Kaserne on the north side of former Bluecher Strasse quartered Polish troops prior to the fall of 1953. The corpse of a high-ranking Polish officer, who residents said had been murdered, was lying in state at this installation in October or November 1952. [redacted]

3. The former stables in the eastern section of the former Bluecher Kaserne, on the south side of former Bluecher Strasse, housed trucks and a limited number of sedans prior to the fall of 1953. The guard at the entrance wore a blue gray uniform. [redacted] vehicles under repair.⁴

4. A summer training camp at Quakenburg (P 55/N 07) and in the woods to the east of this town was vacated in October 1951. It had not been used again by Polish troops prior to the summer of 1953.

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From 20 January to 20 February 1954, about 60 Soviet soldiers received infantry training at the barracks installation in Lowicz (Q 53/P 27) which was located near the railroad line.⁶

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☐ Comment. The 9th Tank Regt of the 8th Mech Div which is carried at this installation is confirmed by the present information until October 1953.

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☐ Comment. ☐ model ISU-152 SP guns. The tanks cannot be identified as Soviet Army JS tanks; they have turrets mounting an AA machine gun, but are fitted with bogie wheels and track-supporting rollers. Technically it would be possible to mount an AA machine gun in the turret of a T-34 tank.

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☐ Comment. Previous reports dating from November 1952 indicated that this installation quartered no front-line unit, but a headquarters or a military administrative agency.

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☐ Comment. The former Bluecher Kaserne presumably quarters the AAA regiment and the rocket launcher battalion of the 8th Mech Div which are carried in Stolp.

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☐ Comment. The present information confirms that a Soviet division is stationed at Gross Bern. Previous reports indicated that this division is the 26th Gds Mech Div.

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☐ Comment. The present information generally agrees with a previous report ☐ of April 1952. The unit cannot be identified.

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